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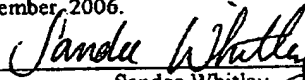
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SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE

Sir:

In the response filed September 13, 2006 Applicants referred to replacement drawings. Upon checking PAIR, Applicants realized that those figures were not received by the PTO. Accordingly, the replacement sheet and annotated sheet referred to in the September 13, 2006 response are submitted herewith.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 2 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

Remarks being on page 3.

An Appendix including amended drawings figures is attached at the end of this paper.

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